The Pocahontas Times.

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FAIR GROUNDS PURCHASED

The Executive Committee of the Pocahontas County Fair has purchased the farm of Pat Gay, to be used for the permanent site of the county Fair. This is the old Levi Gay homestead. It consists of 127 1-4 acres of land, 60 of which is bottom land and as level as a floor. It lies on the west side of the river, above Stony Creek, and is one mile and a half from the county bridge. The consideration was $12,000.

A more ideal site would be hard to imagine. For nearly a mile it fronts on the Greenbrier River; it is convenient to the railroad; it is not far from a macadam road. There are houses and barns which will serve the purposes of the Fair.

The plans of the committee for preparing the grounds are comprehensive. A half mile track forty feet broad will be made, and a substantial fence put around it. Beside the track will be a place for parking automobiles, and immediately behind will be a roadway, to allow cars to come and go at will.

There are three living springs on the place. These will be cemented up, and will furnish good water. If more is needed for stock or fire protection, the river is but a few yards away.

It is the idea of the committee that this farm should be put in charge of a competent, intelligent man to work under the direction of the County Agricultural Agent. Thus it would become a profitable proposition in addition to demonstrating to our farmers the crops fitted for our climate and soils and their proper cultivation.

The question of transportation to and from Marlinton will be taken care of. A flag station on the railroad will be asked for immediately opposite to and a few hundred yards from the grounds. The fare will be ten cents each way. In addition a line of jitneys will be run during the fair to and from the main street of the town, the fare to be 10 cents a passenger each way.

It is expected to arrange a bathing beach and other picnic ground appurtenances for the use of the people generally. Any organization like a Sunday School, church, lodge or community party looking for a pleasant place for an outing will find what they want here. There is one of the finest swimming holes of Greenbrier river, pleasant fields, shady banks and sandy beaches.

It is expected, too, that the boys and girls farm clubs will hold their outings and camps here.

With the completion of hard roads through the county, a throng of automobile tourists may be expected all summer long. Many of them carry camping outfits with them, and every up todate city is providing free camping places for them in their parks. Our fair grounds will serve this purpose.

Then, too, it may be that parties from a distance would like to spend fair week in tents at Marlinton. There is an abundance of room for this purpose, and all the charge made would be a season ticket for each member of the party.

As one thinks and writes about it, he becomes enthusiastic over the possibilities of the proposition as a picnic ground for the people of the Greenbrier Valley.

The date of the 1922 Fair has been set for August 22, 23, 24 and 25th.

SMITH--MC CORMICK

One of the prettiest weddings of of the season was solemnized Monday evening at the Edray parsonage when Miss Robbie McCormick of Marlinton became the bride of George Smith. Only a few intimate friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony.

The bride was attired in a very becoming suit of brown duvetyn trimmed in gray fur with accessories to correspond. She wore a corsage bouquet of bride's roses.

They left after the ceremony for Elkins, Cumberland and other points. They will also visit the groom's relatives at Thomas, W. Va., after which they will be at home at Marlinton.

This worthy young couple have the congratulations and best wishes of their many friends for a long, successful and happy married life. L.

Mrs C. R. Evans and Mrs. J. L. Hogsett accompanied the Smith-McCormick wedding party to Durbin on Tuesday.

MILLION DOLLARS FIRE

Big Wood Working Plant of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company at Cass destroyed last Friday morning.

The big mill, storage house, planing mill and dry kiln of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company, at Cass, was burned last Friday morning, February 24. The loss entailed will perhaps be a million dollars. There is some insurance.

The fire originated in the planing mill, spreading to the big band saw mill to the big storage house and then to the drying plant. After a time the pumps were put out of commission by the fire, and the lumber in the immense yard was saved by hard and effective fighting. The cause of the fire is not known.

This plant was the largest industry of the Greenbrier Valley, and perhaps the biggest and best equipped wood working plant in the State of West Virginia. Around it the big and prosperous town of Cass has grown. The mill has been in operation day and night, but was not running at the time of the fire on account of a temporary shortage of logs.

In the storage house was about a nundred carloads of the finest kind of finished hardwood lumber, mostly flooring. This was one of the largest items of the loss.

The planing mill was equipped with modern woodworking machinery, all new, and a great deal of it only installed in the past few months. Some of it was put in just the day before the fire.

The dry kiln was a new building of steel and concrete construction and filled with the best of hard wood lumber. It was an immense structure, and had been but recently completed.

A more disastrous fire to Greenbrier Valley could not well be imagined It was the biggest of our industrial plants and running full time and extra time. It was the permanent lumber operation of the Valley, and in the past year or two had been equipped throughout with up to date machinery. For over twenty years the mill has run steadily.

The company has not made public its plans for future as regarding the rebuilding.

The West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company owns about two hundred thousand acres of timber and coal lands in Pocahontas, Randolph and Webster counties. They operate a railroad system, the Greenbrier, Cheat and Elk Railroad: a number of coal mines, and supply the big paper mills at Covington with pulp wood from their holdings in Pocahontas and adjoining counties.

THE TENTH LEGION

At the coming election there will be two places to fill in the senatorships from the Tenth District, composed of Pocahontas County and Webster, Braxton, Gilmer, and Calhoun. One for the full term to succeed Senator Morton, who is not offering for re-election, and the other for a short term to succeed Senator Shackleford, who recently departed this life.

Pocahontas County has never been honored by having a resident senator since the days when this abnormal district was formed. Many years ago we tried to secure a nomination for a county man, and got into one of the hottest fights that the world ever saw. Our candidate at that time was the Hon. L. M. McClintic, and the way that he was butchered to make a Northwest holiday has stuck in our craws ever since.

It would be a fine act if the Northwest would make reparation for that rebuff, by giving one of the nominations to this county, and it would be even more equitable if they named Mr. McClintic, who is still with us, strong and hearty, standing like a tower of strength, four-square to all the winds that blow.

The next meeting of the reading circle, Greenbank District. will be held at Greenbank, Saturday afternoon, March 11, 1922 at 1:30. Chapters one to twelve, Healthy Living, have been assigned for study. Come with well prepared lessons, please.

Bertie McLaughlin,
Mrs. Sidney Wilson.

A cloud of witnesses and attorneys went to Elkins Monday for the third trial of B. L. Galford. for the killing of the late George W. Duncan.

Here's the Reason

we are spending our money to bring some direct truths to the attention of our people, because we believe it means the improvement of this section of the country. and we will certainly participate in the increased business which naturally follows.

We want to help, and we believe good roads and good transportation facilities is the place to begin.

We can render every banking service--all under same roof.

First National Bank

MARLINTON, WEST VIRGINIA

The Bank of Security and Service.

THE FARM BUREAU

The annual meeting of the Pocanontas County Farm Bureau was held at Marlinton last Saturday afternoon. Henry W. Beard was re-elected president; W. L Price, secretary and John A. Young, treasurer. Among those present were H W. Beard. E. L Smith, Calvin May, Poe Welford, A. W Hill, W. A. Barlow, O. B. Mann, Calvin W. Price, J. A. Young, J. R. Hevener, E F Mc Laughlin, Foley Morrison, T. H. Sheets, H. C. C. Willey, R M. Beard, F. P. Kidd, Geo A. C. Auldridge, J. B Buckley, W. A McLaughlin, B. F. E. Wooddell, L J Moore, Prof. Grier, Mrs. Fred Hefner, Mrs. P R. Overholt, Miss Bertha Overholt, Mrs. Frank Echols, Miss Elizabeth Hill, Miss Anna Correll, Miss Mary Eskridge, Mike O'Ferrell and W. J. Yeager.

The membership was fixed at $2 a year. County Agent H. C. C. Willey outlined a program of work for himself that to say the least is comprehensive, and in carrying it out he is laible to work himself into an early grave. The program is appended.

J. B. McLaughlin, of Braxton County, of the State Farm Bureau, was present and made the speech. He outlined the things the farmer must do and is doing for himself through cooperation—more economical marketing of his products and buying his supplies, more consideration of farm business and farm problems at the hands of national law makers, and more equitable farm tax laws be the state legislature. Mr. McLaughlin is a fine figure of a man, evidently belonging to our own Mc Laughlin clan He is a farmer by choice—a real honest to goodness dirt farmer.

The farmer through the instrumentality of the Farm Bureau, is beginning to assert himself and is becoming the power in the land. Note what has been accomplished by the Agricultural Bloc in the United States Senate. composed of Democrats from the South and Republicans and Democrats from the West. The farmer has been the goat of the political and special privileged interests so long, that his sudden demand for a square deal has been a painful surprise to the powers that were.

Here are some of the things which County Agent Willey expects to occupy his time this year.

Business Plans

1. Warehouse with permanent purchasing and selling agent to organize one or more cooperative warehouse societies.
2. Cooperative purchase of fertilizer from the W. Va. Farm Bureau Federation and to secure local men to handle the fertilizer for their respective communities.
3. Cooperative potato marketing to secure the potato specialist to obtain a market.
4. Cooperative livestock marketing—to organize one or more cooperative livestock marketing associations in time to market this year's lambs.
5. Community dipping vats.

Cattle Improvement

1. To replace all grade and scrub bulls with good purebreds by 1926
2. To foster the purchase of regis tered cattle.
3. To conduct beef and cattle feeding demonstrations,—a wintering calves. b. wintering yearling steers.

Sheep Improvement

1. To replace all grade and scrub rams with good pure breds by 1926.
2. To foster the purchase of registered sheep.
3. To secure the sheep specialist to give sheep shearing and wool handling demonstrations.

Poultry Improvement

1. To replace all mixed and poorly bred flocks with good standard bred poultry by 1926.
2. To construct one demonstration poultry house in each district of the county
3. To secure the poultry extension specialist to conduct poultry culling damonstrations.

Pasture Improvement

To conduct one pasture improvement demonstration in each district of the county.

Potato Improvement

1. Spraying demonstrations.
2. Potato extension.
3. To standardize varieties.

4-H. Clubs

1. To organize and provide suitable leadership for 4-H clubs where ever advisable.
2. To hold a 4-H Camp
3. To procure a permanent camp site and buildings.
4. Calf club project—to continue work already started
5. Pig project—to organize a pig club project.

County Fair

To cooperate with the local fair association.

Pocahontas County Hereford Breeder's Association

To cooperate with the organization.

Membership

1. To secure at least 150 members for the fiscal year.
2. To collect Farm Bureau Membership dues when fertilizer is sold
3. To advertise more extensively the work that the Farm Bureau is doing.
4. To hold a membership campaign with the assistance of local leaders.

The L. L. girls' class of the Methodist Sunday School, taught by Miss Bertha Overholt, will hold a candy sale at C. J. Richardson's store Friday afternoon March 3rd, at 3:30.

County Court next Tuesday and a special grandjury term of the circuit court next Wednesday March 8.

"BURNS OF THE MOUNTAINS"

Founded University on Little Else But Faith.

President of Oneida Institute to Tell Gripping Story of the Re making of His People

President Burns of Onedia Institute, who is to lecture here on the evening of March 10 at eight o'clock is a true mountaineer. He comes from that section where today rugged and plain honesty prevails.

"He is horny-handed from severe struggles and battle-scarred from righteous fights," said an admiring critic some time ago. "He is a real colenel of true manhood. He speaks from an honest heart and an upright purpose. Mr. Burns, above all, is sincere. He is not a pretender—he practices what he preaches. His lecture refreshes one as does the pure cool breeze from the mountain."

Burns is by long odds the most unique and interesting figure on the American platform today. His story is a real romance of the Southlands, if ever there was one.

"Up in the solid rock" of faith Burns founded and actually built a University which today is a thriving institution working wonders among the poor boys and girls of the illiterate backwoods regions of Kentucky. He had no money, but he had an ideal. And he had God given courage and strength of character and a determination that would have moved mountains. For Burns, therefore the building of Oneida was but an incident in his interesting life.

The ideal—well Burns had watched the bloody feuds of the hills men and something had whispered to him that education would stamp out this running sore which had for generations infested the hill sections of Kentucky. Through education he planted the seeds of Christian charity and brotherly love in their hearts—and he wiped out the feuds once and for all. His story of the long battle for success—but wait until you hear it, for Burns himself is coming soon.

Hear him at the High School Friday evening, March 10th, at eight o'clock. This is the fourth number of the High School Lecture Course.

MRS. MARY GATEWOOD DEAD

Mrs. Mary Warwick Gatewood died at her home at Linwood on Friday morning, February 17, 1922 after an illness of a few weeks. Her age was about 75 years.

Mrs. Gatewood was the wife of the late Colonel A. C. L. Gatewood, and a daughter of the late Judge and Mrs. James James W. Warwick of Bath County. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. John Dunlap, and her sons, Eugene, Massie, William and Andrew. Another daughter, Mrs. W. T. Cameron, died a number of years ago.

Funeral services were conducted at Linwood on Sunday by her pastor, Rev. O. N. Miles, of the Presbyterian church, and she was buried by the grave of her late husband.

Thus we note the passing of a beautiful and useful life. From girlhood she had been a working christian a member of the church of her fathers, the Presbyterian.

"Her children arise up and call her blessed, her husband also, and he praiseth her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excelleth them a ."

Mrs. Mary Warwick Gatewood of Linwood, was called home to rest on February 17, 1922 at the ripe age of 74 years 2 months and 2 days

Mrs. Gatewood was born at Warm Springs, Virginia. Dec 15, 1847, where she lived until she married Col. A C L Gatewood in 1869 They then lived at Mountain Grove until 1879 at which time they moved to Linwood, West Virginia, where she lived to the time of her death.

She is survived by four sons and one daughter, Eugene, and Mrs. John Dunlap of Linwood; Willie and Massey of Huntington, and Andrew of Pulaski, Va., and ten grand children

Besides the relatives her departure is mourned by a host of friends, for having given her heart to the Lord Jesus early in life, she lived a life that endeared her to all who came in contact with her; her one thought seemed ever to be for others. Surely her life was a mirror of Him who went about doing good.

On Feb. 19th. after services at the Church, the mortal remains were laid to rest in the Varner cemetery beside those of her husband to await the great resurrection morn.

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

O. N. M.

In the short month of February there were 16 inches of snow, according to the report of S L Brown, local weather observer. There was 9.5 inches on the ground the 15th. The rainfall, including the snow was 5 49 inches. Rain or snow on 16 days. 1 clear day, 17 partly cloudy and 10 cloudy. Greatest fall in 24 hours 1 10 inches on the 1st and 2nd. Mean temperature for the month was 31.5 degrees; coldest 6 below on the 17th, and hottest 62 on 23rd. Dense fogs on 21, 22 and 23.

Report of Green Hill school for fifth month, Gladys G White, teacher—Pupils making perfect attendance this month were, Mary Vanreenan, Glenna McLaughlin, Goldie Wooddell, Ada Woodell, Glen Moore, Layton Sharp, Loy Sharp, Dorsey Sharp, Ivan Woondell, Dolphia Sharp

THE CANDIDATES

County politics for the 1922 season are formally opened this week with the announcements of Hon. E. N. Moore, of Dunmore, and Hon. J. A. McLaughlin, of Marlinton, as candidates for the Democratic nomination for the House of Delegates. The primary election will be held in August. Mr. Moore is at present a member of the legislature. He is one of our best citizens, a big farmer, a church officer, and a former sheriff of the county. He carried the county by a wonderful majority in the Republican year of 1920. While the last session of the legislature was notorious, Mr. Moore's record in it is a good one, standing with the few other members of his party in a futile protest against squandering the people's money. His friends just naturally feel that after his experience in the last legislature, they would like to see him given the opportunity to sit in a legislature the majority of whose members will work for the public rather than the party.

Mr. McLaughlin is not an untried man in the legislature business. He served a very useful term in a Democratic legislatuture in the good old days of ten or eleven years ago when we paid our direct State taxes with a 1c levy. He is a native son, a self made man, an officer in his church, a prosperous business man, and a desirable citizen in every respect. He will make his influence felt in any assemblage, and the varied experiences of his business career give him a clear insight into the needs of the people in the matter of law making. He has taught school, worked in the lumber camps, traveled as a salesman and is now in the wholesale grocery business.

STAMPING CREEK

Sugar making is the order of the day at present.

Rev. K. D. Swecker preached a fine sermon here Sunday afternoon

Some of the boys have come in from Cranberry and report work very scarce now.

Mrs J. B. Grimes is very sick with rheumatism at this time.

Our new telephone linesman, Henry Poage, is improving the lines very much.

Penie and Winters Rose are at home from Yelk where they have been working.

Misses Mary Grimes and Eva Hefner are preparing to take the examination for diplomas in March.

The Grimes school is progressing nidely with Miss Jessie McFerrin, teacher.

DURBIN

Mrs. Virginia C. Burner has been very sick for three weeks.

Miss Emma Burner who is teaching the Cherry Grove school was at home with her mother for two weeks, has returned to her school work: her mother is better.

Some flu in our town but not danyet but bad enough as it is.

Mrs. Leslie Ryder is very sick at Nottingham.

Our road has about gone down since the rainy season came in. The Class A road will be finished in a month if the weather permits. This road will be a great benefit to our end of the county.

J. P. Townsend and son are cutting logs for a mill set on the west side of Greenbrier river. Wo will soon have some lumber near town.

R. Helm. of Oakland, Md., was with us last week.

The Greenbank teachers' round table met here last Saturday and all report a good time and some fine speeches and educational talk.

J F Ashford of Greenbank, was in town last week on business Also Sheriff B. B. Beard, and F. K. Moore

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John M Thomas, a fine boy.

We are sorry to hear that George M Sutton is very sick a Greenbank.

J. H. Sydenstricker has resigned as Monroe county road engineer because the county court has turned down his bill of $73 for cleaning up the field of Robert Burdette, after the grading of the Wolf Creek road Mr. Sydenstricker says that in order to save the county the ten per cent over cost allowed the contractors for extras, he hired men to do the work and the bill was disallowed.—W. Va. News.

Announcements

HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Editor Pocahontas Times—

At the request of my many friends, I have decided to make the race for House of Delegates, subject to the action of the Democratic party. Standing on my past record as a member of that body and promising if elected again to stand by and for the interest of Pocahontas County and the State, I solicit your support.

Yours Respectfully,
J. A. McLAUGHLIN.

This paper is authorized to announce E. N. MOORE a candidate for re election to the House of Delegates, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

PLOWS

We are handling a nice line of Syracuse Plows and repairs, also shelf hardware, nails, etc.

THE PEOPLES STORE SUPPLY CO.

Ranges and Furnaces

We Sell

Jewel Ranges

—and—

Hot Air Furnaces

also

Florence Oil Cookers

None of these are excelled, see us when in need of anything in this line.

The Peoples Store & Supply Co.

MARLINTON, W. VA.

"WE DELIVER THE GOODS"

SITLINGTON

The President of Normalcy evidently got hold of a copy of the Times because the empty wood racks were taken away and the Local Freight stopped here again last week and unloaded so much freight that we were shocked, surprised and humiliated because we had to do some work after living the life of a Republican Office holder for so long that we forgot to get the old Underwood out and peck off the Sitlington news.

Now we have made a statement that we will have to correct. We said we had been living the life of a Republican Office holder, but we mean as far as the work end of it is concerned. If the said Republican office holder didn't get any more per for his work than we do he wouldn't run around the country hollerin' for votes.

While we are on the subject of politics there are two State Senators to be elected from this district this year. Now folks lets take the POKE out of Pocahontas and select some feller that has did the same thing to himself and make him a State Senator; this County has never furnished a State Senator since the formation of the district in 1902, we are entitled to one and now is the time to get him. Get busy now and let's show those other counties in the District what we have over here.

It is certainly surprising how many people there was that knew so much more about how to run the Railroads than McAdoo, and what we can't understand is that Harding don't let them try their hand at it.

Somebody over at Dunmore woke up last week long enough to write a a few items, and incidentally show their jealously of Sitlington, about the only difference between Sitlington and Dunmore is three and seven tenths miles.

Hon. J. A. McLaughlin was in town Monday, he is going to be our next Representative in the House of Delegates.

W. W. Nottingham, Carl Nottingham and Robert Walker have returned from the Sweeney Auto School at Kansas City.

Hunter Adams is building an auto out of some scrap iron.

There now seems to be too much Bone in Congress to pass the the Bonus. Harding wants to deflate us some more and make the Soldier give back Via the Sales Tax and Poor old Congress wants to be re-elected, and with the stain of that Newberry on them and other devilment they are afraid a sales tax would be too much, our advice to Congress is "go the limit while you can" there is nothing that will save you anyway.

The last Legislature created so many new jobs they have to call an extra session of the Legislature to Tax us to pay them. "Get the money Boys" get it while you can, we will take ours in votes this fall.

The trial of B. L. Galford began at Elkins on Wednesday morning.

Schuchats Department Store

Marlinton, West Virginia

Store News

New Things On Display This Week

Particularly Interesting Among The New Arrivals

New Dresses, coats and suits. Fashions latest revelations in these New Spring Garments.

New Millinery, ready-to-wear New York interpretation of Spring Styles.

New Oxfcrds, Patent Lace, Brown Calf Strap and Black Kid, Low and Military Heels.

New Wool-Jersey, The acknowledged hit of the season, beautiful soft dress weight. Fashioned from French Spunyarn.

New Silks, Crepe de Chine, Canton Crepes, Wash Satins in all the New Spring shades.

New Blouses, they are arriving daily, attractive models for all occasions, fairly priced.

New Ginfihams, Waeh Goods, Cretones, Curtian Goods, Longcloth, Flaxons Voiles, Linens, Toweling, Etc.

New Children and Misses' Ginghams, dresses pretty patterns, new styles.

New Men's, Caps, Hats, Oxfords Shoes, Shirts, Ties and Suits.